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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/15/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3,4,7-15,17,18,20-29 and 83-86.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Election/Restrictions

Claims 59-82 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected group, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made **without** traverse in the reply filed on 11/15/07.

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Christopher B. Linder on 1/24/08.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 3 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 1, line 6 the phrase "of the metal salt having weakly bound counter anions" has been deleted.

In claim 1, line 7 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 1, line 7 after the phrase "f-block metal", the phrase - - and the anion is selected from the group consisting of perchlorate, trifluoromethanesulfonate, and

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tetrafluoroborate; wherein the composition further comprises a polyoxometalate - - has been inserted.

In claim 3, line 2 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 4, line 4 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

Claim 6 has been canceled, being incorporated into claim 1.

In claim 7, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

In claim 7, line 3 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 7, line 6 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 7, line 9 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 8, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

In claim 11, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

In claim 14, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

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In claim 15, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

In claim 15, line 1 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 17, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

In claim 17, line 2 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 17, line 4 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 18, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

In claim 18, line 2 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 21, line 1 the term "6" has been deleted and replaced therein with the term - - 1 - -.

In claim 22, line 2 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 23, line 2 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

In claim 26, line 2 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

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In claim 29, line 1 after the word "from", the phrase - - the group consisting of - - has been inserted.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES A. FIORITO whose telephone number is (571)272-7426. The examiner can normally be reached on 9am - 6pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stanley Silverman can be reached on (571) 272-1358. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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